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I (We) believe that I am (we are) the original, first, and joint (sole) inventor(s) of the
subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention
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Primer and probe for detecting Vibrio cholerae or Vibrio mimicus and detection
method using the same
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□ was filed onas
Application Serial No.
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I (We) acknowledge the duty to disclose information known to be material to the patentability of this application as defined in Section 1.56 of Title 37 Code of Federal Regulations.

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